<u>Instructions for Hunters Submitting Deer Heads for CWD Testing</u>

- Retain 4 inches of the neck with the head (head and neck are needed for testing).
- If you plan to mount a buck's head, please do not submit it (we must keep the head).
- If you do not plan to mount a buck's head, but you want to remove antlers or the skull cap before delivering it, we can still test it.
- Deliver the head as fresh as possible to the self-service station that is most convenient for you (see locations below). As long as the head is kept cool (not frozen), you can wait a day or two.
- See the back of this page for the instructions posted at the station.
- After delivering the head, please call <u>1-866-468-7550</u> (toll-free) to report your submission so we know when and where to collect the heads. If you cannot get through on this toll-free number, please report the date and location where you dropped the deer head to Fred Frenzel at 540-984-4101, extension 130.
- Allow 60 days for results to be available at http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/cwdresults.

Directions to Self-Service Stations

(1) Winchester-Frederick County Conservation Club

From Gainesboro: North on Siler Road (Rt. 600). The Conservation Club is the first left.

A white commercial refrigerator and supply kit are on the porch of the first building.

(2) North Mountain Volunteer Fire Department:

186 Rosenberger Lane, Winchester, VA

<u>From Route 50 at Hayfield</u>: South on South Hayfield Road to Back Mountain Road (both are Rt. 600). Continue south on Back Mountain Road to Tom's Market (Citgo). Right on Rosenberger Lane. Take first right into gravel parking area below firehouse.

<u>From Route 55</u>: North on North Pifer Road to Back Mountain Road (both Rt. 600). Continue north on Back Mountain Road to Tom's Market (Citgo) & entrance to Shawnee Land. Left on Rosenberger Lane. Take first right into gravel parking area below firehouse.

Walk up the grassy slope to an unfinished building behind the firehouse. A white commercial refrigerator and supply kit will be to your left through the first opening.

(3) Virginia Department of Forestry, Shenandoah County 265 Lakeview Drive, Woodstock

<u>From I-81</u>, take exit 283, and proceed east on Rt. 42 to the intersection with Rt. 11. Turn south on Rt. 11 and then left on Lakeview Drive. Department of Forestry is on left.

A large walk-in cooler is at the north edge of parking lot.

POSTED AT STATION

<u>Instructions for Submission of Deer Heads for CWD Testing</u>

The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries would like to thank you for assisting with Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) surveillance in Clarke, Frederick, Loudoun and Shenandoah Counties (see map). These areas are adjacent to the positive CWD cases that have been identified in West Virginia. Although CWD has not been identified in a deer in Virginia, we need to continue sampling deer from this surveillance area to be confident that it has not spread to the Commonwealth.

To submit a deer head please follow these instructions:

- 1. The supplies you will need are located in the white plastic storage box.
- 2. Fill out the side marked "Hunter Information" on the CWD Surveillance Data Card. The items in **bold** are required. Make sure you indicate the map <u>grid number</u>. Locate your kill on the laminated map and record the corresponding grid number on the data card. Please also indicate the <u>county of kill</u> and a <u>brief description</u> of where the deer was killed or supply GPS coordinates. If you are a DMAP cooperator, the name of your hunt club will serve as a location description.
- 3. After completing the data card tear off the bottom of the card, which states "Please keep for your records." You can use the "Sample ID No." to check the status of your sample on our website (web address is on your portion of data card). Please make sure you also record your big game license number and your check card/phone confirmation number on the data card if you plan to check results online. Results should be available within two months from the date of submission.
- 4. Place the deer head in one of the big zip lock bags provided.
- 5. Place the data card in a small zip lock bag and seal the bag. Place this small bag inside the big bag that contains the head and seal the big bag as well.
- 6. Place the big bag in the refrigerator.
- 7. Please call the following toll free phone number at your earliest convenience and follow the instructions to let us know that you have donated the deer head for testing. (866) 468-7550
- 8. If you have any questions call the Verona office of DGIF (540-248-9360).

Thank you.

